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In re the Application of

Zittel et al.

Art Unit: 1761

Application No.: 09/419,716

Examiner: T. Simone

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Docket No.: 6.008

For: *Method and Rotary Blancher for Processing Food Product*

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed September 27, 2000, applicants elect claims 1-40, drawn to a method of heating a food product, for prosecution in the above-captioned patent application. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment of any fees associated with this or any other communication in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1080.

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